

Are you interested in learning about the environment while spending six days and five nights in one of Virginia's newest state parks located in scenic Central Virginia?

YES

Then, ALIVE by the James may be just what your summer needs.

*Requirements include:*

- *Interest in the environment*
- *Recommendation*
- *Must be entering freshmen through senior year of high school*
- *Must turn in all payment and completed forms by deadline of July 6.*
- *Must be a Virginia resident.*
- *Must be willing to share group living chores with cabin mates.*
- *Must be respectful of others' ideas and property*

## Camp Partners

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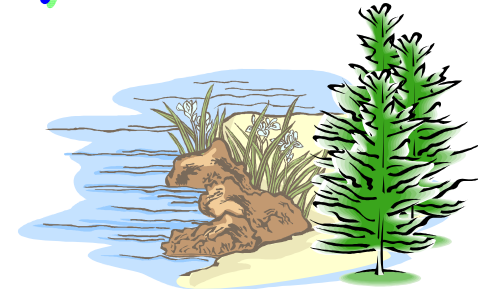
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Summer 2007

# ALIVE by the James



**A**dventures in  
**L**eadership through  
**I**nvestigation and  
**V**isitation in the  
**E**nvironment

Monday through Saturday  
July 30 – August 4, 2007

James River State Park  
Buckingham, Virginia

### Learning Tracts

Campers will learn about watersheds, biological and chemical sampling, forestry and soils. As a group, the campers will conduct a stream bank stabilization project.

Youth will be immersed in studies of environmental education specifically related to the James River Watershed as part of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. Additionally, campers will learn more about Virginia's state parks in hopes that they will develop an enjoyment, appreciation and better understanding of Virginia's great outdoors.



*Campers will be encouraged to keep field notes of learning tract activities.*

### ALIVE Leadership Project

Campers are expected to leave ALIVE by the James with a plan for sharing what they have learned with others in their home communities. Throughout the week, campers will take field notes and make journal entries. These field journals will serve as a personal reminder of the camper's experiences. Additionally, campers will work as individuals or in small groups to create a plan of action for sharing their experiences with others (i.e. speaking to a class at school or to their board of supervisors, writing an article for the paper, etc.)



*Tips on talking to members of the community will be a part of the learning tract.*

### Lodging

ALIVE by the James campers will be housed in the brand new cabins at James River State Park. Each camper will have his or her own bed or bunk, but will share living space. All lodging is gender specific. The adult to teen ratio is 1:6 in the cabins and during all activities.

During the week, campers will work cooperatively with their cabin mates to prepare group meals and keep the park facilities clean.



*Campers will stay in brand new cabins at James River State Park.*

#### Description

**ALIVE by the James** will be the **premier watershed experience** for high school youth across the Commonwealth of Virginia. The week-long, overnight camp is open to 48 youth who will be divided into four groups of 12 each for the duration of the week. In addition to learning tracts, time will be spent on recreation such as canoeing, tubing, volleyball, horseshoes, geocaching and more. There will also be a variety of exciting evening programs offered.

#### Cost

A deposit of \$50 is due with the application. The balance of \$135 is due by July 6, 2007, along with additional paperwork that will be mailed following receipt of the application.

Mail applications with \$50 deposit (made payable to Buckingham Extension Fund) to:

ALIVE by the James  
Buckingham County Extension  
PO Box 227  
Buckingham, VA 23921

#### Volunteers Needed

Adult volunteer group leaders and cabin supervisors are needed to help during the camp. A one-day training will be provided. Meals, lodging, and a camp t-shirt are also provided. If you are an adult interested in assisting, please contact one of the camp co-directors.

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